

RESPONSE

This Amendment and Response is being filed along with a Petition for revival of an unintentionally abandoned application. In particular, applicants failed to respond to the Office Action of October 5, 2004, because of a clerical error that resulted in the response time not being docketed. Therefore, the application became unintentionally abandoned by failure to respond to the outstanding office action. It is respectfully requested that this application be revived pursuant to the Petition.

In response to the Office Action of October 5, 2004, applicants thank the Examiner for the indication of allowable subject matter in claims 3, 5, 7, 10, 13, 15, 16 and 18. The Amendments above have been made in light of the Examiner's indication. In particular, claim 1 has been canceled and claim 3 has been amended to be of independent form by including the limitations previously found in claim 1. Further, claim 6 has been cancelled and claim 7 has been amended to be of independent form by including the limitations previously found in claims 1 and 6. Moreover, claims 2, 4, 8, 9 and 10 have been amended to depend from claim 3. Claim 5 remains in its original form, depending from claim 3. In addition, claims 11 and 12 have been canceled and claim 13 has been amended to be of independent form by including the limitations previously found in claims 11 and 12. Claims 16 and 18 have also been amended to be of independent form by including the limitations previously found in claim 11. Claims 14 and 17 have been amended to depend from claim 13. Claim 15 remains in its original form, depending from claim 13.

In light of these amendments, it is respectfully submitted that all of the claims remaining in the application, i.e. claims 2, 3-5, 7-10, and 13-18 are now in condition for allowance and it is respectfully requested that this application now be allowed.

Respectfully submitted,

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